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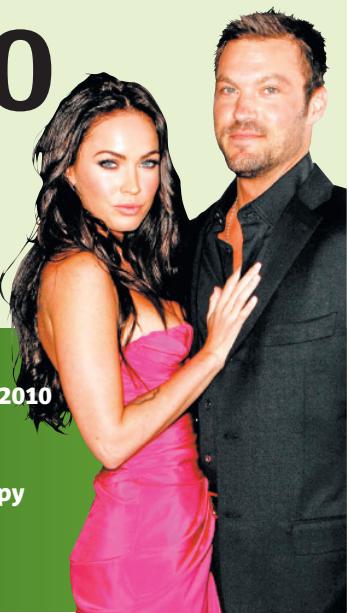
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World Cup. Spain wins



► Spain's Sergio Ramos, right, competes for the ball with Portugal's Fabio Coentrao.

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O'Brien to reveal his plans

► Mayor will announce this morning whether he'll seek another term ► Projects started this term are not yet finished ► Blogger predicts O'Brien will run again

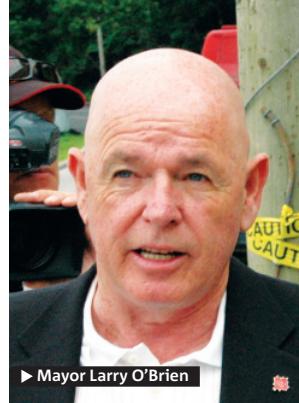
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Larry O'Brien has good reasons to want to hold onto his post as mayor, but if he chooses not to, he can walk away with an impressive list of accomplishments, political commentators said.

O'Brien will make an announcement relating to his political future this morning. His decision to run or not is something he has kept close to his chest.

"His decision will be framed by if he believes that he's accomplished what he wanted to accomplish in one term in council," said Walter Robinson, a principal with Tactix Government Relations and Public Affairs, who served as O'Brien's first chief of staff.

Getting approval on Lansdowne Park and the new light rail plan, and seeing the convention centre rebuilt are strong arguments to say that's great work for one term, said Robinson.



► Mayor Larry O'Brien

Municipal politics blogger Blake Batson, who ran for council in the 2006 election, predicted O'Brien will launch a re-election campaign to see those projects to completion.

Spain ousts its Iberian rivals

Spain bested Portugal 1-0 yesterday in Round of 16 action at the World Cup in South Africa. Portugal is now eliminated from the tournament, while Spain moves on to face Paraguay in the quarter-finals. Story, page 34

Canada Day

Metro will not publish tomorrow, Canada Day. Look for our next edition on Friday.

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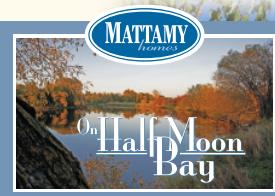
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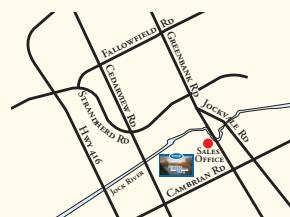
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Royal visit history in making: Prof



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The Queen arrives in the capital today, and when she does, city residents should take advantage of the opportunity to see her if at all possible, a uOttawa expert said yesterday.

"She's our Head of State, and she doesn't come (here) very often," said Michael Behiels, a university

research chair in Canadian Federalism and Constitutional Studies. "So when she does, it's an important event in Canadian history."

Although Behiels classifies approximately 25 per cent of Canadians as royal watchers, "many Canadians don't understand the role of the Queen as our Head of State."

Her visit could raise awareness about that, he said.

Because of her age, this may be the Queen's last visit to Ottawa, said Behiels.

"I think this is an important opportunity to give Canadians the chance to see her and to give her the respect she deserves as our Head of State."

"We are very fortunate to have her. Many countries would love to have a monarch like Queen Elizabeth. She has served us very, very well."

Queen's stops in Ottawa

One of the best opportunities to see the Queen and His Royal Highness The Duke of Edinburgh up close is at 1 p.m. today as she unveils the Oscar Peterson statue at the National Arts Centre on

the corner of Elgin and Albert streets.

Also on the royal schedule today is a tour of the Canadian Museum of Nature, a tree planting at Rideau Hall and a meeting with Prime Minister Stephen Harper.

On Canada Day, the Queen joins in the festivities on Parliament Hill.

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SpinDoctor on the damage done to Stephen Harper's G20 accomplishments by violent protests

'Populist' candidate long shot for mayor

► Cesar Bello dismisses polls, seeking to reach half of voters who didn't take part in last election



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It was during last year's transit strike that Cesar Bello realized he had to run for mayor. The apathy from citizens in the face of city council's bungling drove him to it, he said.

A PhD in social anthropology, Bello paints himself as the populist candidate.

If he is elected, he said he would use the mayor's office to reach out to the people.

It is a long shot for Bello to get elected. He is currently lumped in with a group of candidates who don't even appear on most opinion polls.

He dismisses those polls. Almost half of eligible voters didn't take part in the last election. It's tho-

"We have wealth here. It's a matter of management. I can be a negotiator with the federal government to obtain money for support and provide a better quality of life for residents here."

CESAR BELLO

se people Bello hopes to reach.

"The most important thing for me is to speak from the heart," he said.

Bello said he wants to focus on providing better public services that are more affordable for the average citizen. Transit fares, he said, are too high.



► Mayoral candidate Cesar Bello said Ottawans should vote on values.

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Parliament Hill place to be for Canadian talent

- Barenaked Ladies to headline Canada Day concert
- Other performers include Jean-Francois Breau

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To see the talent from across the country, one only needs to visit the Canada Day stage on Parliament Hill.

"As with every year, the challenge is to have a good mix of the different musical formats to please everyone and to have a robust representation of all regions, all provinces, all territories and cultural backgrounds of our country," said National Capital Commission spokesman Guy Laflamme.

The Barenaked Ladies, who recently released a new album, are the headliners this year, as are top



► Quebec artists Isabelle Boulay, left, and Marjo.

Quebec singers Isabelle Boulay and Marjo, who have "very successful international careers," and Johnny Reid.

Other performers include the Campbell Brothers, Jean-Francois Breau and Cadence Weapon.

Canada Day also features up-and-coming stars,

Laflamme said.

Andrea Lindsay, for example, "is going to be a future top international star," he said. "That's the beauty of Canada Day. We get the best of Canadian artists to perform but use it as a springboard for up-and-coming Canadian artists."

Workers sweat for July 1 celebration

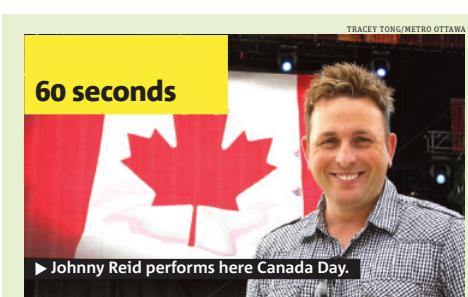
Hundreds of thousands of revellers come from across the country to enjoy the festivities on Parliament Hill on Canada Day, but the people responsible for setting it up have been working on it for weeks.

Workers started building the site on June 11, said Simon Stafford, co-ordinator of the site for Canada Day with the National Capital Commission. Work on the stage began on June 12. Although setup takes more than two weeks, takedown must be complete by July 6.

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350K

People expected to celebrate Canada Day at National Capital Commission sites, including Parliament Hill, Major's Hill Park and Jacques-Cartier Park.



► Johnny Reid performs here Canada Day.

TRACEY TONG/METRO OTTAWA

JOHNNY REID

"I KEEP A GOOD BALANCE IN MY LIFE"

Scottish-born country music star Johnny Reid, who moved to Canada in 1988, is taking the stage at the Canada Day celebrations on Parliament Hill tomorrow.

forming in the nation's capital on Canada Day? To be able to stand on the biggest stage that Ottawa puts up and sing for our Royal Highness is very humbling.

How do you usually spend Canada Day?

I've performed at many Canada Days before around Canada, in B.C., Manitoba and Alberta. One year I performed at three Canada Days in the same day, but this is my first time singing in Ottawa.

How do you feel about per-

You recently won a Juno for your album, Dance With Me. How has that changed your life?

It's an incredible honour and something that I treasure. But it hasn't changed my life much. I'm the father of four kids. I keep a good balance in my life.

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OC Transpo will operate on a Sunday schedule for Canada Day, but will have additional service around Parliament Hill during the day and following the fireworks.

On July 2, OC Transpo will have a reduced weekday schedule, since ridership is expected to be lower than normal following the holiday.

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Queen Juliana Park

Family and children's activities abound at the Canada Day in the Park Festival, running from 11 a.m. to 11 p.m. at 850 Carling Ave. near Preston Street.

Activities include a bub-

ble bounce amusement park, musical entertainment, midway rides and games, a petting zoo, pony rides, a beer tent, a car show and live musical entertainment.

A fireworks show caps off the day at 10:15 p.m.

Admission and parking are free.

Canadian War Museum

With free admission, activities include an optical illusions workshop in conjunction with the Camouflage exhibit, a percussion workshop and a concert by the Coastal Sound Children's Choir.

Jacques-Cartier Park, Gatineau

Start off Canada Day on an active note. The Canada Day 5K run starts at 8 a.m., followed by the 1K run for kids at 9 a.m. and the 3K family walk at 9:15 a.m. Afterward, stay for entertainment and food.

Parliament Hill

For thousands, Parliament Hill will be the place to be when Canada celebrates its 143rd birthday.

There will be a flag raising ceremony at 9:30 a.m., the Changing of the Guard, the RCMP musical ride, a demonstration by Canada's Snowbirds, street art and dance.

Noon and evening shows will feature performances by the Bare-naked Ladies, Isabelle Boulay and more, and, of course, fireworks at night.

Confederation Park

Check out the TD Ottawa Jazz Festival, free, at Confederation Park.

Performers throughout the day include Jill Zmud, 11 a.m.; the Bluesberries, noon; Tambura Rasa, 1 p.m.; the TD Jazz Youth Summit, 2 p.m.; SHAD, 3 p.m.; Lorraine Desmarais Big Band, 4 p.m.; Elliott Brood, 5 p.m.; and Owen Pallett at 6 p.m.

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MODERN-DAY SLAVERY

\$3B a year in human trafficking

Traffickers who subject women and children to prostitution and forced labour are engaged in one of Europe's most lucrative crimes — a \$3-billion-a-year, modern-day slave trade whose victims are growing by 50 per cent annually, a United Nations agency said yesterday. The United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime estimated that more than 140,000 people are currently controlled by organized gangs. Many victims are tricked into leaving lives of poverty in

eastern Europe, Africa and Latin America with bogus promises of work.

"Europeans believe that slavery was abolished centuries ago. But look around — slaves are in our midst," UNODC executive director Antonio Maria Costa said in a statement accompanying the report.

Costa said one big problem is that governments in industrialized countries have only recently passed tougher laws to crack down on trafficking in people.

"It is a very recent recognition of a very old problem," Costa said later to the Associated Press, adding that arrests and convictions of traffickers are rare. "I could count them on one hand."

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Panel overturns Canadian fines on U.S. casino

A \$25,000 US fine the Canadian government imposed on Atlantic City's Borgata Hotel Casino & Spa for flying top gamblers to and from Montreal and Toronto has been overturned. A Canadian appeals panel

ruled because the flights were private and not open to the general public, the Borgata did not need a Canadian aviation licence.

The agency contended that Borgata one.

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Records show U of O debated Coulter return

► Right-wing U.S. pundit Ann Coulter stoked controversy during her March campus tour in Canada.

- President wanted pundit to revisit
- Advisers warned of 'news event'

The president of the University of Ottawa wanted to invite Ann Coulter, the abrasive right-wing American commentator, back to campus after her scheduled speech last March was shut down amid fierce protests.

But Allan Rock's advisers talked him out of it, warning that Coulter's appearance would only turn into another media circus, newly disclosed documents show.

"An invitation to Ms. Coulter to return to the campus would demonstrate good faith on the part of the university and an unqualified commitment to freedom of expression," Rock wrote in an email to senior university officials on March 24.

That was the day after the speech was cancelled because of raucous anti-Coulter protests outside

the university's auditorium.

But several advisers, including Elly Alboim of the consulting firm Earncliffe Strategy Group, strongly advised against the move.

"My own personal view is that, on balance, I would not re-invite her," Alboim said in a email to Rock.

"Should she decide to take you up on the offer, her appearance will become a live news event that she will cynically use to personal advantage to extend her sense of grievance and victimization and amplify her profile ... It will be her win, not about your gesture."

University records were obtained by The Canadian Press under Ontario's freedom-of-information law.

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"We are the 'What' in 'What's New'"
—Shane Koyczan, Canadian Slam Poet

It's a great day to be Canadian. It's our 143rd birthday, which makes us a mere infant compared to all those places we're originally from. But look at it this way: while they're sitting on their, um, traditions, we're on our feet and underway.

It's a brand new day.

In London, they're celebrating Canada in Trafalgar Square, handing out Tim Hortons coffee and playing the Trafalgar Cup Street Hockey tournament.

In Beijing, they're having one of the largest outdoor events of the year, which in China is saying something, complete with a traditional Canadian (?) hot chili pepper eating contest.

New York has five, count 'em five, Canada Day parties, and in Sydney, Australia, they're serving that Great Cana-

dian drink, the bloody Caesar, importing 100 litres of clamato juice especially for the occasion. Even the Queen and Prince Phillip are in on the act, posing as lawn ornaments on Parliament Hill, along with the Barenaked Ladies. How Canadian is that, eh?

Today is the day we leave our hyphen at home and celebrate those things we have in common, not those that make us different. The other 364 days of the year, we have the freedom to celebrate who we are, wherever we're from: Euro-Indo-Afro-Asian- or even Uno- (as in First) Canadians. Myself, I'm usually Irish-English-French Canadian perhaps with a dash of Uno- but today I'm 360° Canadian.

In the words of Shane Koyczan, that guy who blew us all away with his "We are More" poem at the opening ceremony of the 2010 Winter Games:

"We are the true north/strong and free.
And what's more/is that we didn't just
say it.
We made it be."



CANADA DAY QUIZ

Courtesy Megan Siegel,
CanadianLiving.com

1. Canada is a bilingual country, but what is the only official bilingual province?
a) Quebec
b) New Brunswick
c) Ontario
d) New Brunswick

2. What is the oldest walled city that still exists north of Mexico?
a) Montreal
b) Halifax
c) Quebec City
d) Vancouver

3. Whose face is on the Canadian hundred-dollar bill?
a) Wilfred Laurier

b) John A. MacDonald
c) William Lyon Mackenzie King
d) Robert Borden

4. What is Canada's national sport?
a) Hockey
b) Lacrosse
c) Curling
d) None of the above

e) Both a and b

5. What year did the maple leaf become Canada's official flag?

a) 1812
b) 1867
c) 1918
d) 1965

Answers:
1:b, 2:c, 3:d, 4:e, 5:d.

Far and wide

Metro asked people across the country about what makes them proud to be Canadian on this Canada Day.



William Bourgon
OTTAWA

"(It's) my country. Wherever you go, there's people that have smiles on their face."



Victoria Gauthier
OTTAWA

"Generally, how much people like us in the world. That's a nice thing."



Vanessa Boucher
CALGARY

"Freedom of everything.
Freedom of expression."



Commander Rowland Marshall (Ret.)
HALIFAX

"Canada is a wonderful, free, open country."

QUEBEC

Price cut riles drug makers

The Quebec government's decision to lower prices on generic drugs has ignited angry reaction from manufacturers and threatens the profits of the province's pharmacy leader, Jean Couture.

Generic drug manufacturers warned yesterday that they could be forced to reduce investment and employment in Quebec in response to the province's decision to ensure it continues to offer the lowest drug prices in Canada. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

The manufacturers also told a news conference they would submit a \$60-million bill for distribution costs they have absorbed if they don't receive offsets.

"Less products to manufacture and fewer products to develop risks to hinder the growth of the generic drug industry, which has nearly 5,000 direct jobs in Quebec," warned Yves Dupre, Quebec executive director of the Canadian Generic Pharmaceutical Association.

The Quebec government announced last Friday that it expects to save \$164 million a year from lower prices on generic drugs. The move follows a similar initiative taken in Ontario. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

U.S. accepts aid to clean up spill

The United States is accepting help from 12 countries and international organizations in dealing with the massive oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico, the State Department said yesterday.

The State Department said in a news release that the U.S. is working out the particulars of the help that's been accepted.

More than 30 countries and international organizations have offered to help with the spill. The U.S. hasn't made a final decision on most of the offers.

The United States rarely faces a disaster of such magnitude that it requires international aid, but the government did accept assistance after Hurricane Katrina.

Most of the countries and groups have offered skimmers, boom or dispersant chemicals, according to a chart on the State Department's website.



► A U.S. Coast Guard ensign inspects the beach as workers remove tar balls in Biloxi, Miss.

The chart indicated offers have been accepted from six countries — Canada, Mexico, Croatia, the Netherlands, Norway and Japan. Offers also were accepted from two groups — the International Maritime Organization and the Monitoring and Information Center, which is operated by the European Commission.

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Queen saddened by soldiers' deaths

► Queen Elizabeth II receives flowers from Second World War veteran Allan Tanner following an international fleet review yesterday in Halifax.

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- Monarch offers condolences
- Troops' bodies return to Canada

The Queen joined Canadians yesterday in expressing condolences over the deaths last week of two Canadian soldiers in Afghanistan.

In a private message to their commanding officers, the Queen, who is on a visit to Canada, asked that her condolences be conveyed to their families.

The bodies of Master Cpl. Kristal Giesebricht, 34, and Pte. Andrew Miller, 21, died Saturday when a roadside bomb exploded near Kandahar City.

Soldiers

- Explosion Master Cpl. Kristal Giesebricht, 34, and Pte. Andrew Miller, 21, died Saturday when a roadside bomb exploded near Kandahar City.
- Heavy toll Their deaths brought to 150 the number of Canadian soldiers killed on the Afghan mission since its start in 2002.

Also parked on an overpass was a bright CP Rail locomotive adorned with Maple Leafs.

Railway workers stood nearby, with a sign saying "We Support Our Troops."

The procession route also included the newly dubbed "Route of Heroes" through Toronto to the coroner's office.

THE CANADIAN PRESS

Noriega dismisses laundering charges

Relishing the chance to defend himself in court, former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega boasted yesterday of his one-time international stature and decried the United States as the mastermind of a "conspiracy" that has kept him behind bars for two decades.

Speaking in a booming voice and gesticulating animatedly, the 76-year-old delivered an hour-long monologue that started with his rise from a "modest family" to the summits of power in 1983 and lingered on the details of his long, friendly relationship

"I am a victim of the same conspiracy that the United States brought against me."
MANUEL NORIEGA

with the U.S. government — including the CIA. He also gave his take on why the relationship soured.

But when the judges pressed him with questions pertaining to the charges against him — that he laundered drug money in France in the late 1980s — Noriega clammed up, insisting he couldn't recall his financial doings at the time.



► A 1989 file photo of former Panamanian dictator Manuel Noriega.

Noriega was deposed after a 1989 U.S. invasion and went on to spend two decades behind bars in Florida for drug trafficking. In April, he was extradited to France to face charges that he laundered profits from cocaine trafficking through French banks.

Those charges, he said, were nothing more than "an imaginary financial setup."

"I am a victim of the same conspiracy that the United States brought against me," said Noriega, who faces up to 10 years in prison and multimillion-dollar fines in France if convicted.

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Secret law never was

► Toronto police misled public about their G20 Summit arrest powers

The expiration of the five-metre rule that had Toronto residents fearing arrest if they strayed too close to the G20 security perimeter came with a startling revelation yesterday — it never existed.

The rule seemed

straightforward when the news broke Friday that the Ontario government made a regulatory change to a little-known act in secret.

Come within five metres of the summit security fence and you'd better have some identification

or risk arrest.

The temporary regulation, which was passed in secret June 2, did decree that all streets and sidewalks inside the fence were a public work until 11:59 p.m. Monday. Under the Ontario Public Works Protection

Act, that allowed police to search people trying to enter that area.

But there was no power to search people coming within five metres of the fence, said ministry spokeswoman Laura Blondeau.

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England. Funeral



► Mourners pay their respects as a funeral cortege travels through the high street yesterday in Wootton Bassett, England.

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British soldiers repatriated

The bodies of seven British arrived home yesterday. According to numbers released by the Ministry of Defence, 20 British soldiers have died this month in Afghanistan. In all, 309 British personnel have been killed in the country since the start of operations in October 2001.

Endangered vultures hatch

The long-billed vulture, one of the world's most endangered birds, has been bred in captivity for the first time in India, scientists said yesterday.

The three chicks that hatched in February and March in a breeding centre in northern India belong to one of three species of Asian vultures facing extinction. All of the baby birds had fledged — or taken their first flight — by Monday.

The World Conservation Union has listed the three Indian vulture species as critically endangered, the category applied to animals closest to extinction.

Tens of millions of vultures once played a key role in South Asia's ecosystem, disposing of carcasses and keeping down populations of stray dogs and rats that also feed on carcasses and are likely to spread diseases among humans.

But millions of long-billed, slender-billed and oriental white-backed vultures have died in South Asia over the past several years after eating cattle carcasses tainted with diclofenac, an anti-inflamm-

60,000
The total number of the three species of vultures is now below 60,000, according to Britain's Royal Society for the Protection of Birds, which provides funds and technical expertise to the Indian breeding program.

matory painkiller given to sick cows.

Over the last six years, scientists in India have managed to successfully breed the other two varieties. But this is the first successful attempt for the long-billed vulture, the society said in a statement yesterday.

Scientists believe the three breeding centres — the one for long-billed vultures in Pinjore in Haryana state and the others in West Bengal and Assam states — are key for the survival of the species.

None of the birds bred in Indian captivity have been released into the wild yet, according to Graham Madge, spokesman for the British bird society.

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Spy ring's money man nabbed abroad

► Man was last of 11 suspects to be captured in Russian ring ► Debacle threatens U.S.-Russian relations

A shadowy money man for a Russian spy ring whose members were assigned a decade or more ago to infiltrate American society has been captured overseas, authorities said yesterday. He was the last of 11 suspects named in a huge bust that threatens to tear recently mending relations between the U.S. and Russia.

The 11th suspect, using the name Christopher Metcos and purporting to be a Canadian citizen, was arrested at the Larnaca airport in Cyprus while trying to fly to Budapest, Hungary, police in the Mediterranean island country said. He was later released on bail. Metcos, 54, was among those named in complaints unsealed Monday in federal court in Manhattan.

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I spy...

More details from the spy ring arrest fallout.

- Relations Russia's Foreign Ministry acknowledged yesterday that those arrested included Russian citizens but insisted they did nothing to hurt U.S. interests.
- Subverted? The ministry still angrily denounced the arrests as an unjustified throwback to the Cold War, and senior legislators said some in the U.S. government may be trying to undercut President Barack Obama.

10 were charged
with conspiracy to act as an agent of a foreign government without notifying the U.S. attorney general.



'They came to attack summit': Top T.O. cop

Arrows with flammable tips, bear spray, and tire irons were among the weapons seized from G20 protesters intent on wreaking havoc in Toronto, the city's top cop said yesterday.

Chief Bill Blair defended his force amid a storm of controversy over police tactics and the hundreds of arrests made during the summit, and displayed the

cache of seized items — including a chain-mail vest — to support his case.

"They came to attack the summit," Blair told a news conference.

"When they couldn't attack the summit they attacked the city, and they became a mob. A mob is policed a little differently than a lawful, peaceful protest."

Officers cracked down



hard on summit dissent after a group of militant pro-

testers using so-called Black Bloc tactics ran unimpeded down Queen Street West on Saturday afternoon. Their trail of vandalism culminated in police cars being set afire at several locations. Among those detained were members of the media, including several who found themselves trapped for hours.

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Weapons

Toronto police Chief Bill Blair showed weapons seized during the G20 weekend.

► Conference

At least two items on display — a chainsaw and a crossbow — were not G20 related, Blair conceded.



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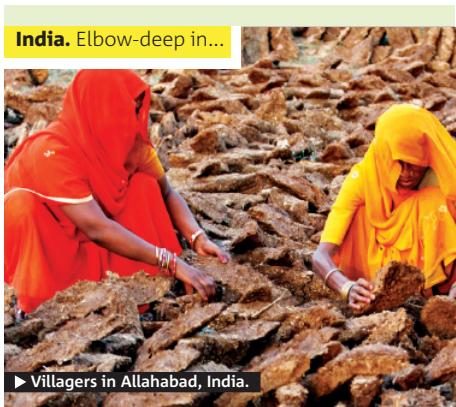
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Indian villagers arrange cow dung cakes in a pile after drying them in the sun in Allahabad, India, yesterday. Cow dung cakes are a major source of domestic fuel for rural households and an environmentally friendly alternative to firewood.

A Rolling Stone loses no stars for general

► Despite being fired, McChrystal will be allowed to retire with four-star rank ► Firing came after remarks made to Rolling Stone magazine

Gen. Stanley McChrystal, fired from his job as commander of the Afghanistan war after more than three decades in the army, will be allowed to retire at the rank of four stars.

White House spokesman Robert Gibbs said yesterday that the White House will do what it can to ensure McChrystal keeps that rank. McChrystal had been a four-star general for just over a year when President

Barack Obama demanded his resignation as Afghan war commander because of scornful remarks made to Rolling Stone magazine.

Under army rules, McChrystal would have had to serve three years as a four-star officer to retain that rank, with its higher prestige and deeper retirement benefits.

The army has been 55-year-old McChrystal's only career. He is being re-

placed by Gen. David Petraeus, who was his boss at U.S. Central Command.

At his confirmation hearing yesterday, Petraeus used his opening remarks to pay tribute to his former colleague.

"We now see some areas of progress amidst the tough fight ongoing in Afghanistan," Petraeus said. "Considerable credit for that must go to Stan McChrystal." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



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Protest. Panama City



► Summit demonstration in Panama City.

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Central America countries at summit

A demonstrator holds a sign that reads "Politicians" in Spanish outside the Sheraton hotel where Central American presidents were meeting in Panama City, yesterday. Representatives from Belize, Costa Rica, Guatemala, El Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Panama, and the Dominican Republic are in Panama for the Central America Integration System summit.

Date set for Haiti election

► Mandated vote to replace current President Preval will occur last Sunday of November ► Parliament mostly vacant after disastrous earthquake

Haitian President René Preval set Nov. 28 as the date voters will choose his successor as leader of the earthquake-shattered Caribbean nation.

The much-anticipated decree setting the election date was signed yesterday

beside Port-au-Prince's collapsed national palace, bearing the signatures of the president, prime minister and Cabinet. Voters will also choose legislators for Haiti's now mostly vacant parliament.

The date itself is not a

surprise: Haiti's current constitution mandates elections be held the last Sunday of November in the fifth year of the president's term.

But opponents had expressed concern that Preval was dragging his feet on

holding the election, especially after he signed a decree extending his term by three months if voting was not held on time. That decision was met with protests. He responded by pledging to leave office by Feb. 7, 2011. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Starting over

Records lost, millions of voters killed in Jan. 12 earthquake

► Council The electoral council's headquarters were destroyed and records lost in the Jan. 12 quake, while millions of voters were either killed,

made homeless or displaced. Before the quake Preval's opponents accused him of manipulating the council to benefit his allies and threatened to disrupt elections if the current officials are not replaced. Haiti's constitution does not permit Preval to run again.

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ENVIRONMENT

Review flawed: Pembina

The Pembina Institute says the proposed environmental assessment of an oilsands pipeline between Alberta and B.C. has major flaws when compared to another proposed pipeline.

Karen Campbell, lawyer for the think-

tank, says the joint review panel for the Enbridge Northern Gateway Project includes only three people and none from B.C.

Campbell says there's only one First Nations person despite the fact that the pipeline would affect at least 64 First Nations communities.

Campbell says a joint review panel for the Mackenzie Gas Project includes seven people, three of whom are aboriginal and from the Northwest Territories.

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Steel firm to appeal ruling

United States Steel Corp. says it will challenge the Federal Court of Canada's decision to uphold the Investment Canada Act, the company's latest move in a feud with Ottawa over its alleged violations of the act.

Erin DiPietro, spokeswoman for the Pittsburgh-based steel giant, said yesterday that the company has filed a notice of appeal on the June 14 ruling that allows the federal government to proceed with a lawsuit against the company.

Ottawa argues the company's shutdown of mills in the Ontario communities of

Hamilton and Nanticoke during the 2008-2009 recession breaks employment and production promises made when the U.S. steel producer acquired the former Stelco Inc. in 2007.

If the steelmaker is found to have illegally broken promises it made to Ottawa when it bought Stelco, it could face a multimillion-dollar fine or be forced to sell its Canadian assets.

Lynn Meahan, spokeswoman for Industry Minister Tony Clement, said the ministry was disappointed by the appeal.

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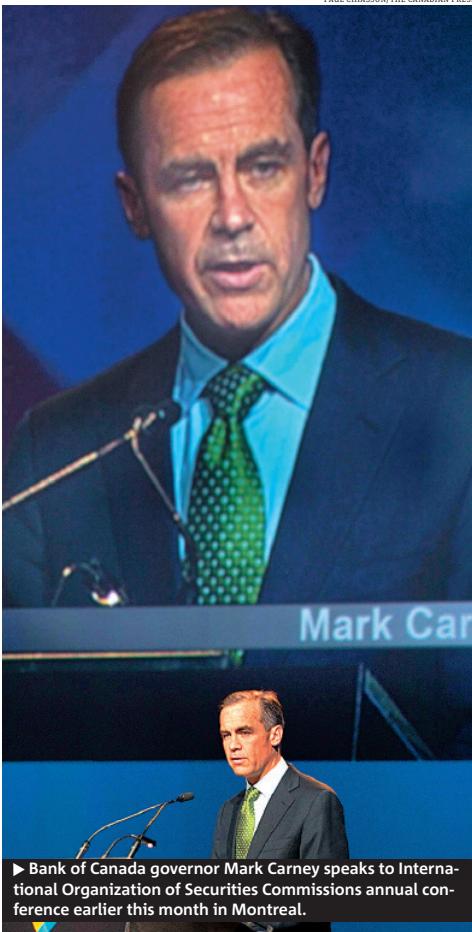
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Bank boss gets nod from abroad

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► Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney speaks to International Organization of Securities Commissions annual conference earlier this month in Montreal.

Head of central bank appointed to global financial watchdog

Bank of Canada governor Mark Carney's star keeps rising in international circles.

The 45-year-old former Goldman Sachs executive has been appointed chair of the Committee on the Global Financial System, a position held by Donald Kohn of the U.S. Federal Reserve system the past three years.

The committee — part of the Bank of International Settlements — is responsible for identifying potential sources of stress in global financial markets and to promote reforms.

The three-year appointment takes effect on July 1. Carney became the second youngest central banker in Canadian history two-and-a-half years ago, and has been vocal at international finance meetings about the need to reform the global banking system.

His performance in steering Canadian monetary policy through the recent economic downturn, and his advocacy for reform both at home and internationally hasn't gone unnoticed.

In April, Time magazine put Carney on the list of the world's 25 "most influential" leaders, the only central banker to make the

"Canada has been through a tough economic period and the governor has scored high marks in responding to it."

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grade.

The magazine highlighted his determination to stay focused on the causes of the financial crisis, while pushing back on proposals for a global bank tax, which Carney and Finance Minister Jim Flaherty successfully fended off at the G20 summit over the weekend.

CIBC chief economist Avery Shenfeld said the latest appointment for Carney is both personal and a recognition of Canada's growing stature as a nation with sound regulatory oversight of its financial sector.

Shenfeld said Carney's previous career in the private financial sector, when he worked with Goldman Sachs, is also seen as a plus given that the Wall Street firm is part of the financial system that G20 leaders are attempting to reform.

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Consumer confidence stagnates in June

Even ordinary Canadians have noticed that the economy is not recovering as many hoped it would.

In Canada, consumers expressed increased pessimism on all four measurements in the index — current finances, future finances, employment expectations and purchase intentions.

"The drop cancels out all the gains realized in May," said the Ottawa-based think-tank.

"However, the pessimism is not spread

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The Conference Board says its consumer confidence index fell 5.7 points this month and now sits 13 points below where it stood at the beginning of the year.

across the country. The drop in confidence was concentrated in two regions (Ontario and British Columbia), while the re-

mainder of the country fared much better."

The drop in the index reflected more cautious economic data in the past month or so after six months of robust growth.

Recently, Statistics Canada and other economic

watchers have reported sharp drop-offs in the growth of housing, auto sales and exports, along with lower employment growth as well as outright declines in wholesale and retail sales.

Leaders at last week-

end's G20 summit broadly agreed on policies they say will set the world on a path to more balanced and sustained growth. But markets were not impressed the day after the summit on Monday, and were outright nervous yesterday.

Conference Board economist Todd Crawford said some consumers in Canada may have become more pessimistic because of the barrage of negative news over the European debt crisis.

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PAUL SULLIVAN



Here's to Sebastian Albrecht, who set a record this week for climbing the Grouse Grind 14 times.

Everyone in Vancouver knows about the grind. It's called "Nature's Stairmaster" and it's basically a path up the side of Grouse Mountain in North Vancouver, a vertical ascent of 2.9 kilometres. And it's tough, man.

Sebastian Albrecht is tougher. He started at 6:30 Monday morning and finished at 11 p.m., eclipsing his old record of 13. Presumably, next year he will have a go at 15.

You're probably thinking Sebastian Albrecht is nuts. Why doesn't he just bang his head against the wall? It feels just as good when you stop?

But I understand. For the past 33 years, I've run marathons, which are 42-kilometre road races. I have survived more than 20 of these horizontal grinds and have trained thousands of miles around the world. I've left a trail of sweat on the cobblestones of Paris, run rings around the plane trees of Hyde Park, left footprints on the sand of countless beaches, and at one point, ran (as fast as I could) through the homes of East L.A.

"I could feel the warmth of the sun on my head; I could smell the flowers; I could see what was going on around me."

For guys like Sebastian and me, the point is there is no point. It's the journey that counts. At the end, we look back at the miles we've logged and feel a sense of accomplishment, but the real benefits are found along the way. Two-thirds of North Americans are overweight. It's hard to be overweight when you climb 2.9 kilometres times 14, or run 42 kilometres. Then there's that runner's high, which happens when you stop.

You just put one foot in front of the other and go. It's ideal for people who can't do the Macarena, i.e. me.

Normally, I would celebrate Sebastian Albrecht's achievement in the usual way — go for a 20-km run. But I did something unusual the other day. I went for a walk. Instead of running through the world, I walked in it — and it was a revelation.

I could feel the warmth of the sun on my head; I could smell the flowers; I could see what was going on around me. Normally, when I run, the rest of the world is stuff that gets in the way. People are pylons.

As Arsenio Hall used to say, it makes you go hmmm. Maybe I've been running ... away. Maybe it's time to stop and ask what I'm running from instead of what I'm running for. Just drop the M and shuffle the O and R. It changes everything.

Maybe Sebastian is nuts after all.

Cartoon

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Noteworthy

Octopus goes out on eight limbs

Octopus oracle Paul hesitated, but ultimately picked Germany to win — again — this time over Argentina in their quarter-final matchup at the World Cup Saturday.

Paul rose to global fame after he correctly predicted

all four of Germany's games in this year's tournament.

Sea Life Aquarium spokeswoman Tanja Munzig in the German city of Oberhausen said Paul took about an hour before he approached a water glass in his aquarium containing a mussel and marked with a Germany flag.

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Society bears the cost

Letters & Tweets

TORONTO. I live in Toronto, but was not part of the G20 protests. Watching the media coverage, I am wondering whether or not I should have been.

Our civil rights are defined by what happens in a crisis. Without a crisis, there isn't any social cost to civil rights.

Civil rights exist to limit what can be done during a crisis. The point of civil rights is that on certain issues, society must bear the cost.

It's easy to let someone have a slice of bread when you're sitting on a mountain of loaves. But you can't say that person has a right to bread until you're

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down to the last slice, and you either hand it over or don't.

After all, what use are civil rights that can be violated when you actually need them? Saying you have civil rights so long as you don't need them — or don't use them — is the same as saying you don't have them.

Finally, the assault on civil rights that occurred

in Toronto over the G20 summit was not the fault of the individual police officers present. Or, at least, it was not their fault in general terms.

To lay appropriate blame, we need to know exactly who was giving the officers their orders. Those are the people we should be protesting about.

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What changes—and what doesn't change—under the HST.

Answering your questions about Ontario's Harmonized Sales Tax (HST).

On July 1st, the HST comes into effect in Ontario. For many of the things you buy, like basic groceries, electronics and clothing, there will be no change in sales tax. The sales tax on some goods and services will increase—including things like gas, electricity and haircuts. Here's a list of common goods and services and how they will be affected.

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CLOTHING AND FOOTWEAR											
Adult Clothing	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Children's Clothing	5%	No PST	No (remains 5%)								
Shoe Repair Service	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Children's Footwear	5%	No PST if \$30 or less	No for footwear up to size 6 (remains 5%)								
Tailoring Services	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Dry Cleaning Service	5%	No PST	Yes (changes to 13%)								
FOOD AND BEVERAGES											
Basic Groceries (e.g., Dairy, Meat, Vegetables, Canned Goods)	No GST	No PST	No HST								
Snack Foods (e.g., Chips, Pop)	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Qualifying Prepared Food and Beverages Sold for \$4.00 or Less	5%	No PST	No (remains 5%)								
Restaurant Meals for More Than \$4.00	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Alcoholic Beverages	5%	10-12%	HST 13% ¹								
HOME SERVICES											
Cable Television Services	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Cell Phone Services	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Municipal Water	No GST	No PST	No HST								
Home Maintenance Equipment	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Home Phone Services	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Home Service Calls to Repair Free-Standing Appliances such as Stoves, Refrigerators, Washers, Dryers and Televisions	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Home Insurance	No GST	8%	No (remains 8%)								
Electricity and Heating (e.g., Natural Gas/Oil for Home)	5%	No PST	Yes (changes to 13%)								
Internet Access Services	5%	No PST	Yes (changes to 13%)								
Home Service Calls by Electrician/Plumber/Carpenter to Maintain or Repair Furnace, Leaky Faucets, Bathtub, Toilet, Electrical Wiring, etc.	5%	No PST	Yes (changes to 13%)								
Landscaping, Lawn Care and Private Snow Removal	5%	No PST	Yes (changes to 13%)								
ACCOMMODATION, TRAVEL AND PASSENGER TRANSPORTATION SERVICES											
Luggage, Briefcases, Bags, etc.	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Municipal Public Transit	No GST	No PST	No HST								
GO Transit	No GST	No PST	No HST								
Hotel Rooms	5%	5%	Yes (changes to 13%)								
Taxis	5%	No PST	Yes (changes to 13%)								
Campsites	5%	No PST	Yes (changes to 13%)								
Domestic air, rail, boat and bus travel originating in Ontario	5%	No PST	Yes (changes to 13%)								
Air travel originating in Ontario and terminating in the U.S. ²	5%	No PST	No (remains 5%)								
Air travel originating in Ontario and terminating outside of Canada and the U.S. ³	No GST	No PST	No HST								
Rail, boat and bus travel originating in Ontario and terminating outside of Canada	No GST	No PST	No HST								
AROUND THE HOUSE											
Cleaning Products	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Laundry Detergent, Fabric Softeners	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Household Furniture	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Refrigerators and Freezers	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Pre-Packaged Computer Software	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Books (including Audio Books)	5%	No PST	No (remains 5%)								
Newspapers	5%	No PST	No (remains 5%)								
Magazines Purchased at Retail	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Magazines Purchased by Subscription	5%	No PST	Yes (changes to 13%)								
AROUND THE HOUSE											
Office Supplies, Stationery	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Landscape Materials including Sod, Seeds, Plants	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Linen (e.g., Blankets, Towels, Sheets)	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Tents, Sleeping Bags, Camping Supplies	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Tools	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Patio Furniture	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Barbecues, Lawnmowers, Snowblowers, Sprinklers	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Toys (e.g., Puzzles, Games, Action Figures, Dolls, Playsets)	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Outdoor Play Equipment (e.g., Swing Sets, Sandboxes, Slides)	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Craft Supplies	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Building Materials (e.g., Lumber, Cement Mix)	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Home Renovations	5%	No PST	Yes (changes to 13%)								
HEALTH PRODUCTS AND SERVICES											
Massage Therapy Services	5%	No PST	Yes (changes to 13%)								
Vitamins	5%	No PST	Yes (changes to 13%)								
MEMBERSHIPS, ENTERTAINMENT AND SPORTS EQUIPMENT											
Admissions to Professional Sporting Events	5%	10%	Combined rate going down to 13% from current 15%								
Movie Tickets	5%	10%	Combined rate going down to 13% from current 15%								
Music Lessons	No GST	No PST	No HST								
Skis and Snowboards	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Hockey Equipment	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Golf Clubs	5%	8%	No (remains 13%)								
Green Fees for Golf	5%	No PST	Yes (changes to 13%)								
Gym and Athletic Membership Fees	5%	No PST	Yes (changes to 13%)								
Ballet, Karate, Trampoline, Hockey, Soccer Lessons, etc.	5%	No PST	Yes ⁶ (changes to 13%)								
Tickets for Live Theatre with Less Than 3,200 Seats	5%	No PST	Yes ⁷ (changes to 13%)								
LEASES AND RENTALS											
Condo Fees	No GST ⁸	No PST ⁹	No HST ¹⁰								
Residential Rents	No GST	No PST	No HST								
Hockey Rink and Hall Rental Fees	5%	No PST	Yes (changes to 13%)								
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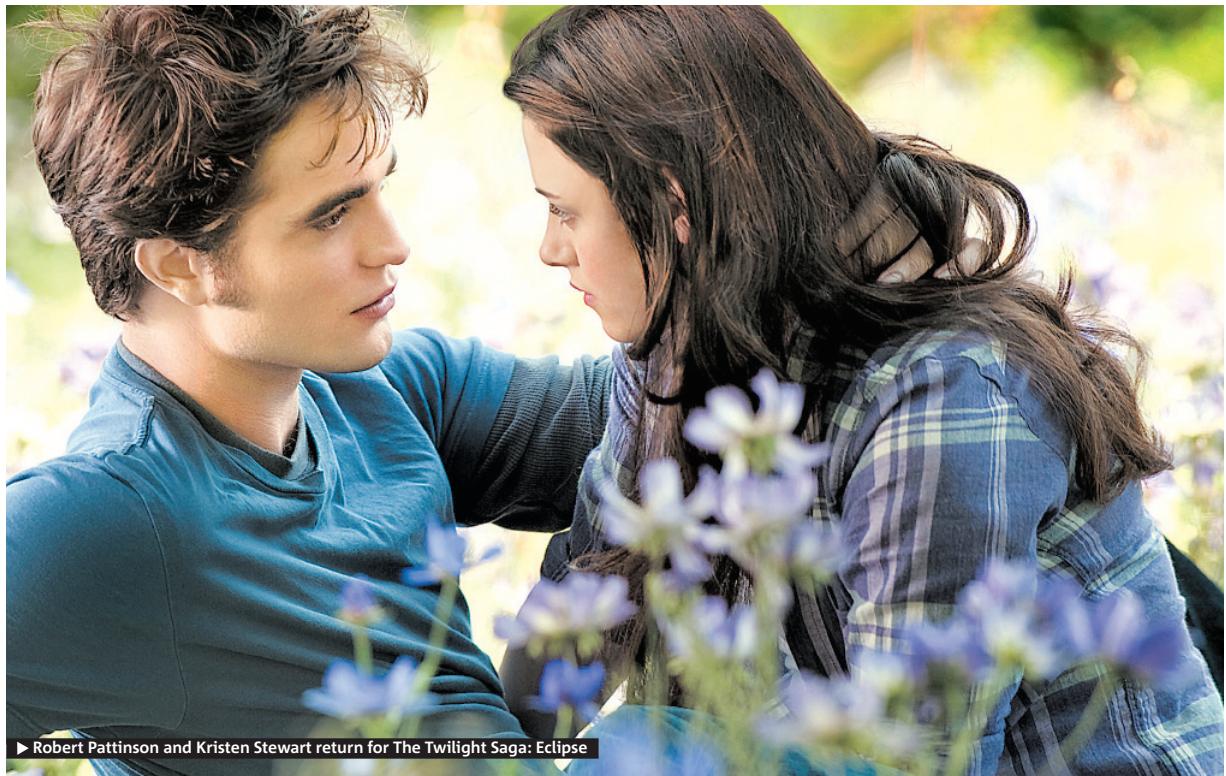
News in brief



1 Rob Lowe is working on his memoir, to be out in May 2011. **METRO**

2 Hip-hop star Method Man pleads guilty to a tax-evasion charge. **METRO**

3 Joe Jackson ends bid to receive monthly stipend from Michael's estate. **METRO**



Eclipse of the heart

► Latest instalment in Twilight movie franchise is the best yet ► New Director David Slade ups the action ► Vampires and werewolves must work together to protect Bella



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The third film in the Twilight series — out of an eventual five — is the best to date, but that's faint praise considering the previous two instalments, Twilight and New Moon.

The main cast's continued work in their now-iconic characters as well as new director David Slade's camera work make Eclipse a marked improvement, but the film is stunted by its source material. The lesson here appears to be that practice sometimes makes mediocre.

It's not really Slade's fault. He does his best,

adding actual action sequences with brutal beheadings — though no blood, since these vampires are PG-13. With the threat of a growing army of newborn vampires

(which are more vicious, we're told) amassing to threaten the life of mopey protagonist Bella (Kristen Stewart), the other two corners of her love triangle, vampire Edward

(Robert Pattinson) and wolf-boy Jacob (Taylor Lautner), have to try to get along and convince their respective communities to work together. All the while, Bella and Edward debate the life decision she made at the end of the last film — to become a vampire — in what's basically the exact opposite of dramatic tension.

There are a few bright spots, including some all-too-brief diversions into the backstories of a pair of Cullen vampires, Rosalie (Nikki Reed) and Jasper (Jackson Rathbone). The vignettes are stirring and sweeping and suggest much better films to watch. And the go by far

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► **The Twilight Saga: Eclipse**

Genre: Fantasy
Director: David Slade
Stars: Kristen Stewart, Robert Pattinson

too quickly. Also worth noting: It's becoming clear that Stewart has quietly been doing some impressive work as Bella. While some might write off her performance as half-asleep, she's actually showing remarkable restraint, holding back to avoid the dialogue's overwrought romance-novel nature.

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Story of Love Ranch stranger than fiction

► Helen Mirren teams with director husband for boxing drama ► Story of brothel owner turned manager based on real headline-grabbing scandal



Love Ranch
Genre: Drama
Director: Taylor Hackford
Stars: Helen Mirren
Rating: **★★★★★**

A stranger-than-fiction real-life story gets a less-than-compelling dramatic treatment in *Love Ranch*, which marks the first time that director Taylor Hackford has worked with wife Helen Mirren since 1985's *White Nights*.

Mirren plays Grace Contempo, the part-owner and full-time madam of the titular establishment, a modest — and legal — Nevada brothel circa 1976.

Grace's husband Charlie (Joe Pesci) is a ten-gallon huckster/entrepreneur who delights in taunting anybody who impugns his legitimate house of ill repute. Emboldened by success, Charlie decides to finance the comeback of a semi-washed-up South American boxer, Bruza, (Sergio Peris-Mencheta), whom he thinks can eventually topple Muhammad Ali — and who quite unexpectedly takes a shine to Grace, who has been em-



► Love Ranch tells the story of a modest Nevada brothel

ployed as his manager.

Believe it or not, the Contempos are stand-ins for a real-life couple: Joe and Helen Conforte, whose stewardship of the Mustang Ranch in Reno ended in headline-grabbing scandal in 1976. But

the action still feels implausible, particularly the rushed, strangely perfunctory romance between Grace and Bruza. Mirren commits to her part, but can't redeem the thudding obviousness of the character's arc, while Peris-

Mencheta is defeated by the sentimental demands of his noble-bruiser role. As for Pesci, he's unfortunately indulged to go full-on psycho in the final reel, pitching an already wobbly film into fully melodramatic territory.

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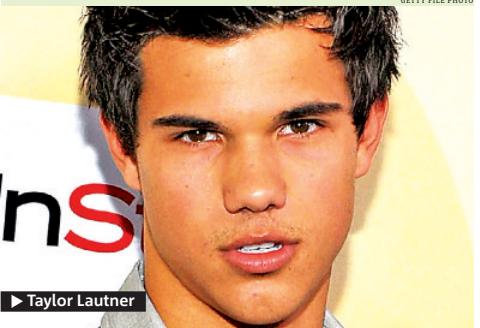
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► Taylor Lautner

Lautner still lives at home

PEOPLE While he's become a huge movie star by the age of 18, Taylor Lautner still lives at home with his parents, he tells Matt Lauer on the Today show. And he even still does chores, he admits. "I help out with the lawn, garbage, dishes," Lautner says.

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Dragon tattoo for Jon Gosselin

ART Now that he's moved on from ex-wife Kate Gosselin, Jon Gosselin is celebrating his newfound freedom with a massive

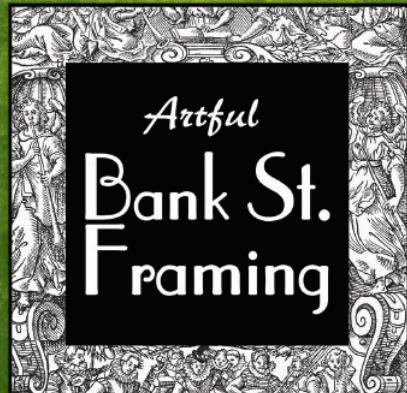


tattoo, according to Radar Online. "I have planned this tattoo for years now," he says of the Korean dragon design adorning his back. "I wanted something that resembled a rebirth or a change in me." • METRO

Oprah tops Forbes list

MONEY Oprah Winfrey has topped the Forbes Celebrity Power List for 2010, knocking out 2009 leader Angelina Jolie, who dropped to No. 18. Winfrey earned a reported \$315 million in the past 12 months. In total, six of the top 10 powerful celebrities are women, including Lady Gaga, Beyoncé and Sandra Bullock. • METRO

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Ringo rings in birthday with drum exhibition

New York City's Metropolitan Museum of Art will display Ringo Starr's gold-plated snare drum in a special exhibition honouring his 70th birthday.

The museum said yesterday the drum will be shown from July 7 — Starr's birthday — through December.

The instrument was presented to the drummer by the Ludwig Drum Company in Chicago during the Beatles' 1964 U.S. tour. It was given to him in appreciation for popularizing the Ludwig name. Starr played on a Ludwig oyster black pearl drum set during the Fab Fours' 1964 appearance on The Ed Sullivan Show. Starr also will start the second season of the PBS series Live From the Artists Den taped at the Met.

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Rapper pleads not guilty to murder charge

Baton Rouge rapper Torrence "Lil Boosie" Hatch has pleaded not guilty to several charges including first-degree murder.

Hatch appeared Monday before state District Judge Mike Erwin.

Hatch's attorney, Marcus Allen, spoke after the hearing and said Hatch is "absolutely not guilty."

The Advocate reports that Hatch is accused of contracting and paying a man to kill 35-year-old Terry Boyd, who was shot to death through a window while sitting inside his home on Oct. 21.

Two other Baton Rouge men also face first-degree murder charges in Boyd's death.

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Bravo debuts an extra-long Runway season

► Project Runway will be 90 minutes when the show returns July 29 ► That's 30 more minutes of Heidi

A bigger Project Runway is coming to a television near you.

Host Heidi Klum says each episode will be 90 minutes when the reality show returns July 29 on the Lifetime network. That's 30 minutes more drama each week — and that's just how Klum likes it.

"We did get always a few complaints from people that they wanted to see a little bit more, which we were obviously very excited about," she said in a phone interview. "So now we have half an hour more."

That means 30 minutes more drama each week,



► Auf wiedersehen, other Thursday night plans!

contestants who collapsed on the set.

"We never had that happen before," Klum said.

Now in its eighth season, the show pits aspiring fashion designers against each other for a \$100,000 cash prize to help them launch their own clothing line and a fashion spread in Marie Claire magazine.

Klum said the designers keep the show interesting.

"We are not like other shows where we are styling them to look a certain way or feeding them lines," she said. "It's all real, and people like that."

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TV watch list

Shop till you drop

CASH OR CREDIT? Travel meets design, meets surreptitious marketing in Man Shops Globe. Season two debuts with retail buyer Keith Johnson on the hunt for unique decorative pieces for the high-end fashion store Anthropologie. Each half-hour episode is set in a different city with Johnson scouring flea markets and bazaars for unusual objects, furniture and textiles. (Sundance Channel)

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Barbara Eden, unbottled



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Barbara Eden says she's been bottled up long enough.

The 75-year-old former star of I Dream of Jeannie is writing a memoir to be published by Crown Archetype.

Crown Archetype Vice-President Tina Constable

says Jeannie Out of the Bottles will be published next spring.

She said yesterday in a statement that "it's time for me to pop the cork and talk about the amazing people I've been fortunate enough to meet along the way."

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Crisis, clubs and creativity

► Scissor Sisters released its third studio album, *Night Work*, this week. ► It has been four years in the making but, as the band point out to Metro, it has been worth the wait.

LOUISE THYE-HENRIKSEN
METRO WORLD NEWS

On the table is a large see-through plastic bottle. A thick yellow liquid ripples when Jake Shears puts it down on the table. The unmistakable lead singer in Scissor Sisters with the large blue eyes and the always brash, happy clothes contorts his face.

"It's a pretty disgusting banana-flavoured protein shake," says the 31-year-old Shears.

He has to be ready to conquer the world with disco rhythms and dance pop, because Scissor Sisters have just released its eagerly-awaited album *Night Work*.

"We just wanted to release a good album and sometimes it just takes a long time to make something good," Shears said.

"We wrote *Night Work* in a couple of months last summer, and it happened really fast. And that's how it should be."

JAKE SHEARS

It took almost four years. Actually it was so hard for the band they threw out two almost-finished albums.

"I didn't feel like releasing an album just to release something. I wasn't sure what it was all about or what the message was. So it was better just to throw it all out and start over," Shears said.

The dance-happy sisters were bored with their routines.

The band wanted something new to happen, so lead singer and songwriter

Shears fled from New York to Berlin to get some new inspiration and to have fun.

"I could feel that something had to happen. If I continued to sit in the studio every day feeling weighed down we would never make a good album," Shears said.

"In the end I felt like an old lady! I was 30-years-old and hadn't been out on an adventure since I was a 21-year-old backpacker."

Shears settled down in a "shitty" flat in the Kreuzberg area and for a few months he invaded the city's night clubs and networked with other musicians such as Joel Gibb from Hidden Cameras, Rufus Wainwright and Olof Dreijer from The Knife.

And when he returned to New York he had a rucksack full of inspiration.



► Jake Shears of the Scissor Sisters moved to Berlin to get inspiration for his new album

Scissor Sisters

The band consists of lead singer Jake Shears, lead singer Ana Matronic, bass player and keyboard player 'Babydaddy' (Scott Hoffman) and guitar player Del Marquis.

► Scissor Sisters formed in 2001 and sprung from New York's club scene and gay milieu.

► They play a mixture of disco, glam rock and party-like pop music with obvious inspiration from

bands such as Abba and the Bee Gees.

► In 2004 they released the album *Scissor Sisters* with tracks *Take Your Mama* and *Laura*. In 2006 came the album, *Ta-Dah* with super hit *I Don't Feel Like Dancing*.

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Cooking up a recipe for a magical story

► Aimee Bender's new novel, 'The Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake,' follows a young girl who suddenly discovers she can feel what she eats

 DOROTHY ROBINSON
METRO WORLD NEWS

In Aimee Bender's beautifully titled book, *The Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake*, the main character, Rose, has a special (if not debilitating) gift. Every bite of food she takes, she tastes the emotions of the preparer — be it a machine, a chef, a cook, or, especially harrowing, her own mother. How did she come up with that plot twist? Bender shared some food for thought.

It's always been known that writing in the voice of a young child is hard, and yet you do so with Rose when she is nine and discovers her gift when she eats her mother's lemon



► Author Aimee Bender

cake. Was that difficult?

Well, I sort of made up a rule that with her voice, she's looking back at her memories, so the moments are at once in a kid's per-

spective and at once in a young adult's perspective. That's my way of cheating.

People use the term "magical realism" to

describe your writing. Do you agree with that designation?

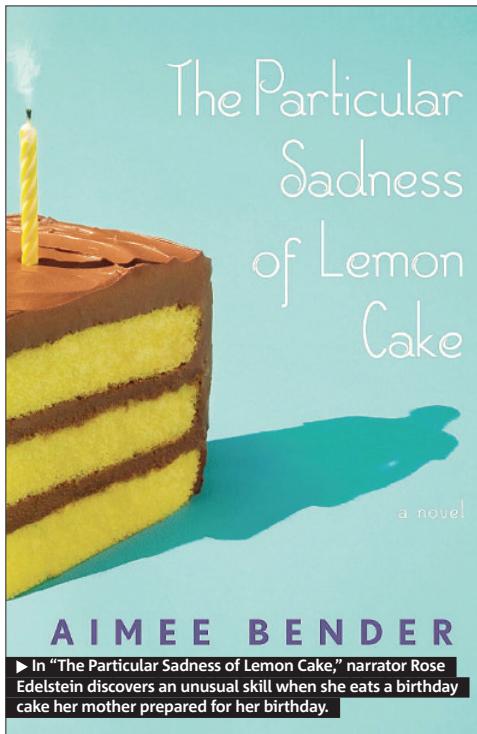
I'm fine with that term. But the terms keep shifting! It can be magical realism and maybe it's fabulism or slipstreams. It's like watching the clouds go by [laughs]. But I'm happy to take them all or none or whatever.

How would you describe your work, then?

I guess I say there's something off-kilter or it's a skewed world or that I go through a side door. But sometimes I'll say magical realism. I do think magical realism is done in a more epic sweep and (my work) is more of a microscopic lens.

How did you get the idea of Rose's gift?

I think I was toying with what might be in food besides food. And what might be carried from



AIMEE BENDER

► In "The Particular Sadness of Lemon Cake," narrator Rose Edelstein discovers an unusual skill when she eats a birthday cake her mother prepared for her birthday.

one person to another? It had shown up a few different times [in my writing]. One friend said something about feelings as something to digest and that made a correlation in my mind.

Do you like to cook?

I really like to cook. But I'm not a particularly proficient cook.

So, no lemon cake?

I don't bake much. I tend toward the savory.



Creepy or funny?

► Author David Bickel captures the 'unintentionally creepy' aspects of everyday life ► Who was actually too much of a 'creeposity' to include

 MADELINE REDDINGTON
METRO WORLD NEWS

Sometimes things are just creepy. They aren't exactly scary, but they just don't feel right — store mannequins with faces that look a little bit too real, or that person next to you on the subway who either has a Bluetooth hidden somewhere or is having conversations with invisible people.

With his first book, *Creeposity: A Hilarious Guide to the Unintentionally Creepy*, TV writer and producer David Bickel provides the final word on all things creepy.

"I first got the idea for the concept when I was a little kid," he says. "My mother had one of those

"My mother had one of those Styrofoam wig heads, and it always creeped me out."

DAVID BICKEL

Styrofoam wig heads, and it always creeped me out."

From grown men who wear Boy Scout uniforms to squirrels that look at you for a bit too long, Bickel

el is an expert in all things creepy and hilarious. Plus, the Facebook page and website for Creeposity have tons of fan submissions.

"Everybody has things that they see as creepy," Bickel reasons. "Now, it's OK to say it out loud!"

The one creeposity that he couldn't include was Michael Jackson, who died while Bickel was putting

the book together.

"I've met him," Bickel says. "I had an hour-and-a-half meeting with him once, and it was magical, fascinating. You're sitting there with Michael Jackson, it's crazy. He's got a piece of Scotch tape to hold his nose on — it was everything you wanted it to be. But there's no denying — maybe the creepiest person of all time."



Monocles

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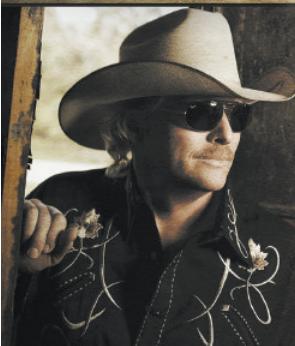
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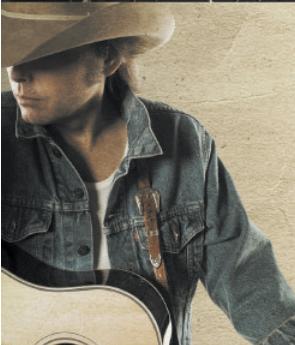


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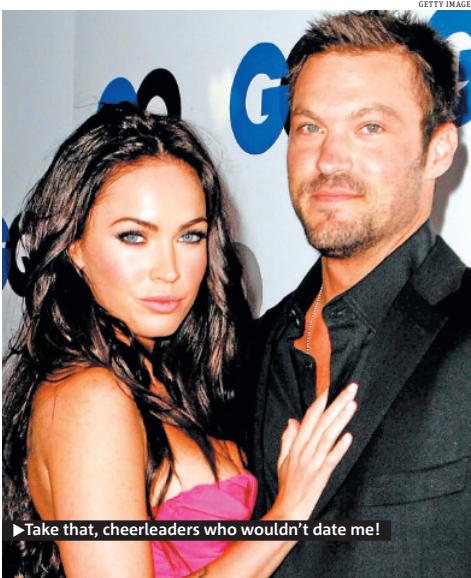
Megan Fox and Brian Austin Green were married last week during a top-secret wedding ceremony in Hawaii, according to Star magazine. "They had a fairly large wedding, but there were clearly more security people than guests," a source says. "They had so many security people that they had to call in local security because the hotel security alone wouldn't do. It was very hush hush. Everyone was sworn to secrecy." The couple tied the knot at the Four Seasons Hualalai on Hawaii's big island, and they're reportedly still at

the hotel celebrating their honeymoon.

Wedding bell speculation ran rampant last week, after several media sources reported that the former 90210 star had flubbed his proposal to the beautiful starlet by dropping her 2-karat engagement ring in the sand. The couple had initially traveled to Hawaii to attend the wedding of Green's former co-star Ian Ziering.

This is the second marriage attempt for the on-off pair: they called off their first engagement in 2009.

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► Take that, cheerleaders who wouldn't date me!

Talking points

Elin's priming for the kill

TIGER HUNT While Tiger Woods and Elin Nordegren played nice during their first appearance together in months at their daughter's recent third birthday, sources say their divorce battle is getting heated, according to Us Weekly. Elin "wants more money than Michael Jordan's ex got," a source says. The basketball star's ex-wife earned a reported \$168 million settlement.

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Piven: 0, Sashimi: 2

FROM THE 'WILL NEVER LEARN' FILES Jeremy Piven's bad luck with sushi continues, as the Entourage star reportedly dropped his BlackBerry in a toilet while visiting a Japanese restaurant in Chicago, according to Page Six. The staff of the restaurant were good enough to fish it out for him and pack it in rice to help dry it out.

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Celebrity tweets



Lindsay Lohan
[@lindsay_lohan] FYI.. kombucha



Jessica Simpson
[@JessicaSimpson] Shocked my



John Cho
[@JohnTheCho] Dear Delta:



Ashton Kutcher
[@apluslk]

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AAAAAAAAAAALLLLLLL-
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Marilyn x-rays fetch big bucks

NOTHING'S SEXIER THAN A CHEST CAVITY Three x-rays of Marilyn Monroe brought in \$45,000 at a celebrity memorabilia auction in Las Vegas, according to CNN. The x-rays were expected to fetch around \$3,000, but her chest x-ray alone earned \$25,000 from an anonymous bidder. ● METRO WORLD NEWS

Official curb-kicking of Jesse James now complete

Sandra Bullock's marriage to Jesse James is officially over, according to TMZ.



► Vampires are just, like, way too angsty

Sources tell the website that both parties signed papers last week in Texas. Bullock in April, their marriage "has become insupportable because of

that make the divorce final. According to the divorce papers filed by discord or conflict of personalities."

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Wolves only, please

Though her character may choose a vampire over a werewolf in the Twilight series, Kristen Stewart knows which creature she

prefers in real life. The actress' family keeps wolf-dog hybrids as pets, she revealed to David Letterman.

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Earlier this year, as most of us remember, Iceland's Eyjafjallajokull volcano erupted, spewing ash all over this small island nation and creating a massive cloud that closed airports and grounded flights all over Europe.

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dinary situation, volcanic eruptions and intense geothermal activity are business as usual in Iceland.

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falls in the world.

North of Reykjavik, Hraunfossar, which means literally lava falls, is a series of flossy-white cascades which flow directly out of a jet-black field of lava.

Also make sure to stop at Gullfoss, a magnificent glacial waterfall that often creates a complete rainbow at its base.

What to see and where to soak



Reykjavik: This city — the world's northernmost capital — is dotted with about a dozen geothermal pools, places where naturally-warmed waters provide a place for swimming, relaxation and socializing.

Nautholsvik Geothermal Beach: This ring of golden sand (reportedly flown in from Morocco) hosts two hot pots, but the big attraction is ability to swim in a part of the Atlantic that's just a wee bit south of the Arctic Circle.

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Motown memories

- Detroit museum honouring Jackson 5 on anniversary of MJ's death
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A Jackson 5 exhibit is now on view at the Motown Historical Museum in Detroit, marking the one-year anniversary this week of Michael Jackson's death.

Photographs, awards and costumes are all on

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display in the show, which

opened yesterday.

Museum chief curator Lina Stephens says the exhibit celebrates the life of Jackson and acknowledges the Jackson 5's "contribution to the Motown story."

Jackson died June 25,

2009. The circumstances surrounding his death still remain a mystery.

You can find out more information about the display at motownmuseum.com.

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Pittsburgh theme park receiving tall praise

For a city built on steel, some of the most sought-after attractions in Pittsburgh are actually made of wood.

Just ask the more than 400 members of the American Coaster Enthusiasts, who have come to Kennywood amusement park for the 7,000-member group's annual convention. The highlight will be riding three of the oldest wooden roller-coasters in the world — over, and over, and over again.

"There are very few, maybe no places, in the world quite like it," said Bill Linkenheimer, the group's secretary, and a member who joined the group well over 15 years ago.

It marks the first time the American Coaster Enthusiasts will honour two coasters at one park with plaques designating them ACE Roller Coaster Landmarks.

The rides — the Jack Rabbit and the Racer — were both built of wood in the 1920s by coaster designer John Miller.

The Jack Rabbit is known for its 21-metre double-dip drop, while the Racer is the only single-track racing coaster in the U.S. left

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Since the days of squawking modems and AOL trial-runs, the Internet has been credited with fantastic gains in workplace productivity—but what about gains in counter-productivity?

For all its wonders, isn't the technology equally responsible for countless daytime hours squandered scrolling through status updates and comment sections?

Research on whether office Internet access encourages procrastination is surprisingly mixed. Last year, a University of Melbourne study found that nine-to-fivers who spent around a fifth of their workday browsing for leisure were actually more productive than those who didn't.

But according to Dr. Tim Pychyl, a time management researcher at the

► **Feel like you're wasting time on the company dime?**

► **Tips on how to stop online dawdling**
► Good news though, it might not be all bad — some claim your habit might actually be healthy

Quoted:

"If you get to a point where your use of the Internet is keeping you at your desk too long, or is interfering with relationships, or is causing you to miss deadlines, then that's a problem."

DR. TIM PYCHYL

Googling that you're not even aware of it.

"When you're at your computer, you feel like you're working," notes Generation Y career guide Lindsey Pollak. "So even if you're playing on Facebook or online shopping, you can almost trick yourself into thinking you're not procrastinating."

To cut down on dilly-dallying, researchers recommend "batching" your leisure browsing into one 20-minute binge every hour or two.

"I'll work straight for an hour, and at the end of that hour, I'll batch all my Facebook checking, Twitter and whatever I need to do for 15-20 minutes," Pollak says.

And once the 20 minutes are up? Quit the browser, turn off the AirPort Card, even unplug the Ethernet cable and tie it into a Gideon's knot if necessary.

"Get as radical as you need to be," Pollak suggests.



Take a break

"It's healthy to take breaks, to get up, walk around, get something to eat, then check Facebook," Pollak says. "There's a huge benefit of walking around and chatting with people, and that's almost becoming a lost art."

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Workplace Law

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Just days before her planned vacation, Janet Williamson found herself in a pickle. She was summoned to a meeting and told that if she took her vacation as planned, she would lose her job.

Williamson, a health-care worker at the Ritz Lutheran Villa, a retirement home in Mitchell, Ont., had agreed to join an 87-year-old resident on a Mediterranean cruise when the resident's partner cancelled the last minute before their trip. Williamson received ap-

roval for the time off and agreed to step in.

However, a few days before the cruise, Williamson was called to a meeting with a newly appointed CEO and told that her plans were a violation of her employer's policy on accepting gifts from residents and given an ultimatum: If she went on the trip, she would be fired. She still went. Williamson returned to a letter of termination. Believing her actions were justified, she sued. Recently, she won her case. Find out why at MetroneWS.ca/workplace law.

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There's hope for underachievers

► Do good grades in college mean huge success later in life? Good news, C students — there's no proof ► What Kurt Vonnegut, Bill Gates, Woody Allen and Colin Powell all have in common

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METRO WORLD NEWS

In 1984, a team of researchers led by Cleveland State professor Gordon E. Samson combed through 35 independent studies and found very little, if any, correlation between GPA and "income, job satisfaction and effectiveness."

Educators have been scratching their heads ever since.

A great many studies have since been commissioned on this topic and, while findings vary somewhat, no one has found a very strong correlation between grades or success after college.

This may provide a ray of hope to students currently making up a course in summer school. Kurt Vonnegut, Bill Gates, Woody Allen and Colin Powell were all in your shoes too. And there's plenty more.

La Salle University professor Dr. Katie Neary Dunleavy, who studies the classroom behaviour of students and professors, says it's all about what experts in her field refer to as "learning orientation versus grade orientation."

"It's a high degree of motivation, formed by a conscious decision. That's what Colin Powell had."

AUTHOR JEFFREY J. MATTHEWS



► No one has found a very strong correlation between grades and intelligence or success after college.

"Students can be one or the other or a combination of both," she says. "The (heavily learning-oriented) student probably won't use a study guide ... They are, however, great to speak with interpersonally, as they often have more of a firm grasp on the ideas presented in class."

And life, rather than school, is constantly demanding learning orientation. Without an outside motivator, it can be difficult for the heavily grade-oriented student to summon the determination after college.

Vonnegut on grades

Kurt Vonnegut

► Kurt Vonnegut, notorious for underachieving as a college student, often graded his novels in interviews and in print. In his collection of essays, *Palm Sunday*, he provides his own literary report card. Here are just a few:

- Player Piano: B
- Slaughterhouse-Five: A+
- Breakfast of Champions: C
- Palm Sunday: C
- "This is much better than I ever did in college," Vonnegut told Charlie Rose in a 1996 interview. "How well did you do?"
- "Not that good," replied Rose.

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Are you a diminisher, or are you a multiplier when it comes to work?

There are those who follow and those who lead In her new book, *Multipliers: How the Best Leaders Make Everyone Smarter*, author Liz Wiseman gives a reality check as to what makes a boss worth standing by

 **NATALIE GAVILANES**
METRO WORLD NEWS

Just what separates a good leader — someone who inspires others — from a bad one (someone who does the exact opposite)? Author Liz Wiseman calls these bad leaders “diminishers” — rather than “multipliers.” In her new business book of the same name, Wiseman explains how you can become the boss people love to follow.

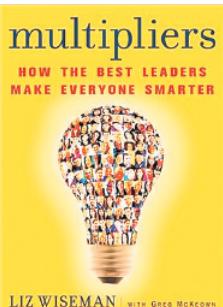
How did you come up with the concept for “Multipliers”? Well, it was through simple observation. I used to work at Oracle and worked close-

ly with the executive teams. They were extremely intelligent people and had contagious smarts; however, some of them used their intelligence to dumb down others. I saw that and I just wondered “Why? Why did they have to make other people not feel as smart as they were?”

You claim there are two different types of leaders: The Diminisher and The Multiplier. Do all people fall into either one of these groups?

The people we studied were on either extreme. But most of us sit in-between — right on the bell curve.

What is an easy way for



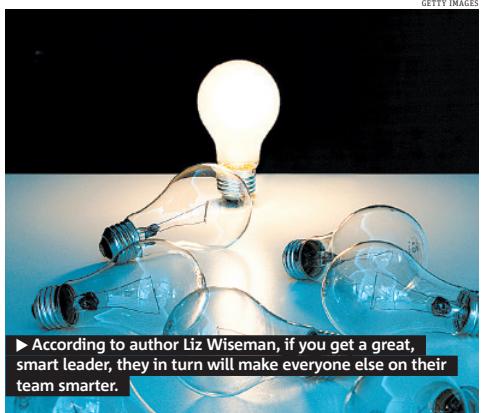
someone to find out what kind of leader they are?

Well, an easy way would be just to ask those you work with, “How am I doing?” It’s

“(Multipliers) use the best thinking of everyone. They help people realize they get to be smart, too.”

WISEMAN

a simple question, but if you do think that you might be a diminisher, it may be best to conduct that survey [anonymously] so that there isn’t any animosity. However, if you think you’re a multiplier, you will probably be better doing a face-to-face conversation so you have the ability to reduce any tension.



According to author Liz Wiseman, if you get a great, smart leader, they in turn will make everyone else on their team smarter.

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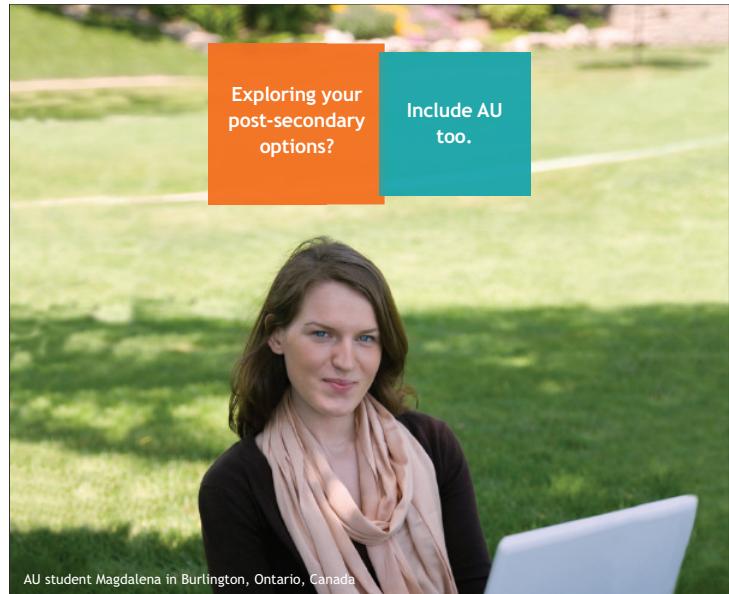
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villa sinks Portugal

► Spanish star scores winner off a rebound late in the contest ► Ronaldo fails to spark offence for Portugal ► Spain now faces Paraguay

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► Spain's David Villa scores his side's only first goal past Portugal's Eduardo.

David Villa finished off a move of Spanish perfection to finally break down Portugal's defensive wall yesterday, giving European champions a 1-0 win and a spot in the World Cup quarter-finals.

Villa scored his fourth goal of the tournament in the 63rd minute, while Cristiano Ronaldo again failed to inspire Portugal.

"It was one of my best goals because it got us through to the next round," Villa said. "Keep scoring so we can keep going."

Portugal's only defen-

sive weakness had been on its right flank, where Ricardo Costa struggled. He was sent off for elbowing Joan Capdevila in the 89th minute, stifling a late Portuguese drive.

"The match was extremely intense," Spain coach Vicente del Bosque said. "In the second half, we were better than Portugal. We had greater depth in our play, and we controlled the game very well."

Spain will now play Paraguay in the quarter-finals on Saturday at Ellis Park.

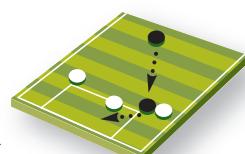
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The lone goal

David Villa's late marker proved to be the winner.

► A trademark Spanish passing move found Andres Iniesta in the centre. He flicked the ball through to Xavi Hernandez, who back-heeled to Villa, who was bordering on being offside as he charged in on the left.

► Villa saw his first shot blocked by Portugal goalkeeper Eduardo, but on the rebound, he coolly



slotted home with his right foot.

Goal: Spain, David Villa 4, 63rd minute.

Shots: Spain: 19; Portugal: 9. **Yellow Cards:** Spain: Xabi Alonso (74th); Portugal: Tiago (80th).

Red Cards: Portugal: Ricardo Costa (89th). **Offsides:** Spain: 0; Portugal: 3. **Fouls:** Spain: 13; Portugal: 18.

Can South American sweep be stopped?

A final four fiesta at the World Cup. Why not?

The first South American semifinal sweep could unfold if Brazil, Argentina, Uruguay and Paraguay all win their quarter-finals. European powers Spain, Germany and Netherlands and lone African survivor Ghana are out to make sure that doesn't happen.

Four multiple World Cup winners and four who have never captured the title made it to the final eight, with two matchups — Argentina-Germany and Netherlands-Brazil — worthy of the final itself.

In the other quarter-finals, two-time World Cup winner Uruguay faces Ghana and Paraguay takes on European champion Spain.

Argentina and Germany met in back-to-back finals in 1986 and '90, and the common denominator is Diego Maradona, who played in each final and now coaches the South American team.

"I feel like pulling on the jersey and playing myself, it is beautiful to be involved with this group of players. I feel proud to share these moments with them," said Maradona, whose ability as a coach was put into doubt by some poor performances in qualifying. "They said I had no idea about how to coach, but suddenly I am winning matches and I am still the same guy."

Ghana is the only African team left.

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Door open to instant replay?

Upon further review, soccer's governing body now agrees that something must be done about the blatant missed calls that have infuriated fans and players alike at the World Cup.

Just what something is, though, won't be dealt with until after the tournament in South Africa is over.

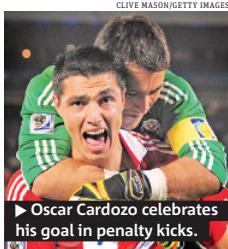
Oscar Cardozo clinched the 5-3 shootout win after a 0-0 draw with a low left-footed drive past goalkeeper Eiji Kawashima. The only miss in the shootout was by Japan defender Yuichi Komano.

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Historic victory for Paraguay

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The Paraguayans have conceded only one goal, against Italy in the first round. On the flip side, their strikers have yet to record a goal in four games at the World Cup.



► Oscar Cardozo celebrates his goal in penalty kicks.

The last thing Paraguay wanted was to wind up in a shootout with Japan. After all, the South Americans almost never practise penalty kicks — or have any success when they do.

Yet Paraguay took the most difficult route to its first World Cup quarter-finals yesterday. After 120 exhausting minutes without

scoring, the Paraguayans found their touch in penalty kicks, making all five to beat Japan.

FIFA president Sepp Blatter said yesterday that changes will be considered, and that he has apologized to the English and Mexican teams, both of which were victims of bad calls Sunday.

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Venus suffers shock upset

► No. 82 ranked player from Bulgaria knocks out American star at Wimbledon **►** Loss means Williams won't face her sister in final

There will be no all-Williams final at Wimbledon this year.

Defending champion Serena has a good chance of playing for her fourth title Saturday, but big sister and five-time winner Venus will be a spectator this time.

Venus was ousted in the quarter-finals yesterday, losing 6-2, 6-3 to 82nd-ranked Tsvetana Pironkova of Bulgaria. Venus, seeded second, had reached the Wimbledon final in eight of the past 10 years. This time, she was undone by a slew of unforced errors and double-faults in her

worst loss at Wimbledon in terms of games won — five.

In another surprise, 21st-seeded Vera Zvonareva of Russia rallied past two-time U.S. Open winner Kim Clijsters 3-6, 6-4, 6-2 to reach her first Wimbledon semifinal, where she will face Pironkova.

Serena Williams avoided the wave of upsets, beating China's Li Na 7-5, 6-3 and moving closer to her 13th Grand Slam championship. The top-seeded Serena had 11 aces to take her tournament total to 73, breaking the record of 72 she set last

year. She had 21 winners and just six unforced errors.

"I always serve well at Wimbledon, but this is the first time I've ever served this well so consistently," Serena said.

Her semifinal opponent is 62nd-ranked Petra Kvitova of the Czech Republic, who saved five match points before beating Estonian qualifier Kaia Kanepi 4-6, 7-6 (8), 8-6.

"I'm very happy," said the 20-year-old Kvitova, her voice shaking. "I can't believe it. It's something incredible."

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Pironkova

More about Tsvetana Pironkova.

1 The 22-year-old Pironkova is the lowest-ranked player remaining in the women's draw.

2 Pironkova became the first woman representing Bulgaria to reach a Grand Slam semifinal in the Open era.

3 Pironkova also beat Venus Williams in the first round of the Australian Open in 2006.

lion US this season in the final year of his deal but was placed on waivers Monday. No one claimed him, allowing the Senators to buy him out. Cheechoo recorded just five goals with nine assists in 61 games for Ottawa last season.

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Sports in brief

Manny out with injury

BASEBALL. Dodgers slugger Manny Ramirez injured his right hamstring run-

ning the bases last night and was removed from Los Angeles' game against the San Francisco Giants in the top of the first inning. The Dodgers didn't immediately have further details and said Ramirez was listed as day to day.

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Senators let Cheechoo go

NHL. The Ottawa Senators parted ways with former goal-scoring champion Jonathan Cheechoo by buying out his contract yesterday. The 29-year-old winger was due \$3.5 mil-

Losses piling up for struggling Blue Jays



BLUE JAYS INDIANS



► Toronto's Jose Bautista grimaces after being hit by a pitch last night.

Fausto Carmona rebounded from his worst start of the season by pitching into the seventh inning and the Cleveland Indians beat the Toronto Blue Jays 5-4 last night.

Carmona (7-6) gave up four runs — three earned — and six hits over 6 1/3 innings to help the Indians to their first three-game winning streak since a four-game run June 9-12.

Cleveland followed that modest streak by losing 10 of 11 until winning Sunday in Cincinnati.

Kerry Wood worked the ninth for his third save in

three games and eighth in 11 chances overall.

Brandon Morrow (5-6) struck out eight over six innings and Adam Lind broke out of a 1-for-17 slump with a two-run single for Toronto, which has lost seven of nine.

"The last two road trips haven't been good," Blue Jays manager Cito Gaston said.

"This one has started off bad."

Cleveland scored four runs with two outs.

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Interestingly, the V6-powered Camaro RS and the V8-powered Camaro SS look virtually identical to one another albeit some minor visual cues and a single letter of their badges.

With horsepower ratings at 306 for the RS and up to 426 for the SS, the strong visual similarities mean that opting for the higher-end model is almost entirely an output-motivated decision.

With a Corvette-derived 6.2 litre V8 under the hood, Camaro SS driv-



► The tested Camaro SS had powerful Brembo brakes, high-performance Pirelli tires, performance-tuned suspension and 20-inch wheels.

ers who opt for the standard six-speed manual get 426 horsepower on per-

petual standby. Automatic models get 400. Learn to shift yourself, enjoy the extra power, and save the \$1,500 for speeding tickets and car wax.

Specifications

- Type Sports coupe
- Price \$37,065
- SS model — \$37,065
- Engine 6.2L V8, 426 horsepower
- Fuel Economy 12L/100km (observed mileage)
- Highlights OnStar, heated seats

End of the day, Chevrolet has made the Camaro SS a potent performance weapon that's also sensible and comfortable enough for day-to-day use.

Complaints include a modest-looking cabin with a low-budget feel to most trim pieces, as well as very limited outward visibility.



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LS a reliable luxury ride

► On a test drive, be sure to check for proper operation of all interior accessories — including the stereo

SECOND GEAR

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American luxury sedans tend to deliver ample doses of luxury and style at a reasonable price point once they hit the used market — and the Lincoln LS is no exception. The now-retired model was one of the brands most successful entry models, and was avail-

able in model years 2000 to 2006 inclusive.

Both six and eight-cylinder engines were available, as was a rare manual transmission on the smaller engine. Power output for the standard 3.0 litre V6 was rated at 210 or 232 horsepower depending on the year, while the small-displacement 3.9 litre V8 generated 252 or 280 ponies.

The LS was facelifted and powered-up for a 2003 update, after which point it carried on until 2006 before being replaced by the Zephyr—which is now called the MKZ. Many criticized Lincoln for stopping production of the rear-drive LS in favour of the front-drive Zephyr, which is a badge-engineered Ford Fusion twin.

Indeed, the award-winning LS was a viable alternative to comparably-sized



► A 2006 Lincoln LS: A newer model that checks out mechanically will give you a fairly reliable and refined luxury car experience that won't break the bank.

Specifications

- Model
2000 to 2006 Lincoln LS
- Vehicle type
Luxury sedan
- Approximate used price range
\$5,000 to \$20,000

luxury sedans from Germany and Japan.

Features included a CD changer, THX audio system, power sunroof, dual-zone climate control, a motorized tilt/telescopic steering wheel and a full complement of airbags. Xenon

headlights were available, too.

Shoppers considering the Lincoln LS for its styling, ride quality and relative affordability should avoid earlier models and opt for as new a unit as their budget allows.

What owners said

What they like: LS owners praise the styling, handling, ride, power and pricing. The THX stereo system is said to be excellent, too.

What they hate: Com-

plaints from LS owners were few and far between, though some gripes exist about poor fuel economy with the V8 engine.

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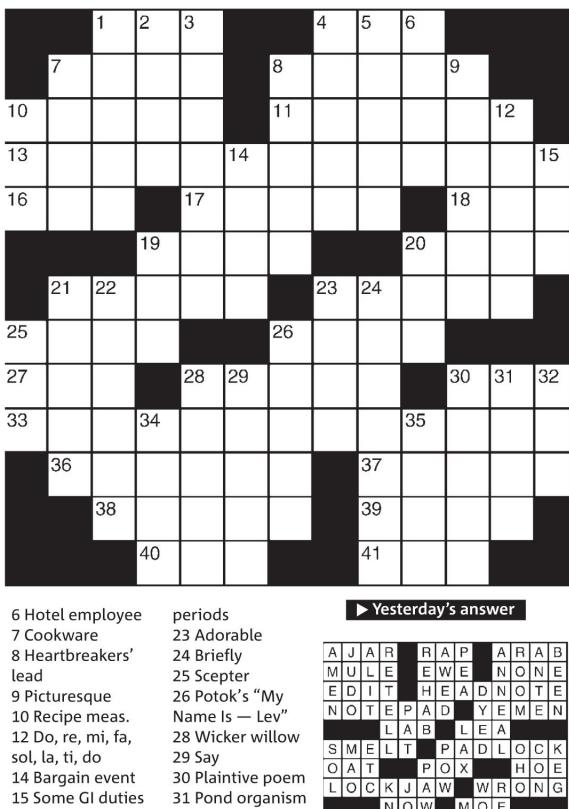
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 18 Siesta
 19 Slithery
 20 Some paintings
 21 Mesa —
 National Park
 23 "Odyssey"
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 25 Philbin's
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 26 Family member
 27 Lennon's lady
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 30 Water (Fr.)
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 36 Certain Muslim
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 38 Tend the helm
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 3 Stopped the ball
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 4 Church donation
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► Yesterday's answer

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 15 Some GI duties
 19 Historic time
 20 Scrap
 21 Tarzan's trans-
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 22 Geological



Today's horoscope



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Aries March 21-April 20 The higher you aim the more you will accomplish this week, and the more you accomplish the more you will feel good about yourself and life in general.

Taurus April 23-May 21 Don't sit around thinking about what might have been — get out into the world and do something special. The next few days are going to be crucial to your emotional and mental well-being.

Gemini May 22-June 21 You may not much trust a particular person but what they have to tell you today is important, and deep down you know it is true.

Cancer June 22-July 22 Today clear your mind of irrelevant details and allow you to start mov-

ing forwards again. Be brave, be bold and above all be ready to act when opportunity comes knocking.

Leo July 23-Aug. 23 It is impossible for you to fail (almost), so the more risks you take this coming week the more you could accomplish. Don't just aim to be good, aim to be the very best.

Virgo Aug. 24- Sept. 22 Today you can quite easily charm your way past other people's defenses. Say nice things and you'll get even more nice things in return.

Libra Sept. 23-Oct. 23 Only you know how much effort you have put into your work and only you know how much it has

taken out of you. You've trumped everyone's expectations, so reward yourself with a vacation.

Scorpio Oct. 24-Nov. 22 Focus on the important tasks that have to be finished over the next few days and don't let other people side-track you with their personal problems. Even romantic relationships must take a back seat.

Sagittarius Nov. 23-Dec. 21 Jupiter, your ruler and planet of plenty, will bring out the best in you over the next few days. The higher you aim the more likely it is you will succeed, so don't hold back.

Capricorn Dec. 22-Jan. 20 Major changes are possible, but

Sudoku

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How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9 only once. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's answer ►

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